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The Eastern Iowa DX Bulletin

For May 26, 2023 to June 2, 2023

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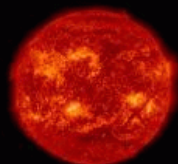
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Solar-Terrestrial Data

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 SFI: 169 SN: 149
 A-Index: 5
 K-Index: 0
 X-Ray: C1.0
 304Å: 147.6 @ SEM
 Ptn Flx: 15
 Etc Flx: 772
 Aurora: 2/n=1.99
 Mag (Bz): -3.0
 Solar Wind: 324.1
 Geomag Field **INACTIVE**
 Sig Noise Lvl 50-51
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3D2, FIJI. Wojtek, SP5MXZ, is back on Fiji and operates as **3D2SP** before joining the T31TT team for Kanton Island on June 1st. QSL via LoTW.

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0602)

3W, VIET NAM. Tom, DL7BO is QRV as **XV9K** near Phan Thiet. Activity is on 6 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL to [DL7BO](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0616)

5U, NIGER. Giorgio's, **5UA99WS** departure from Niger has been brought forward, and he is now scheduled to **leave the country on June 1st**. In his spare time he operates FT8, FT4 and SSB on 40-10 meters. QSL via LoTW, or via [EA5GL](#).

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0526-0609)

5Z, KENYA. Vladimir, UA4WHX is currently QRV as **5Z4/UA4WHX**. Activity is on the HF bands. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to [UA4WHX](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 19 May 11, 2023] (0512-0602)

6Y, JAMAICA. Pavel, CO7WT, is staying in Kingston for a 3-month business trip. He expects his rig on May 10th and plans to operate on 40-6m (SSB, FT8/4) as **CO7WT/6Y**.

QSL via [IK2DUW](#), LoTW.

-[DXNL # 2353 May 10, 2023] (0512-0602)

8Q, MALDIVES. Amir, A61MW will be active as **8Q7MW** from the Maldives (AS-013) on **May 27th-29th**. "QSL cards are available if you request them by email", he says.

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0602)

8Q, MALDIVES. Vincent, HB9VCJ, signs **8Q7VJ** from the Cocoon Maldives Resort on Lhaviyani Atoll from **May 20th until June 4th**, running 10W on 40-6m (SSB). QSL via [HB9CVJ](#), LoTW.

-[DXNL # 2354 May 17, 2023] (0519-0609)

9H, MALTA. Ivan, YT4RA (IV3CTS) and his brother Goran, YT7AW (SA7DXR) will be active from Malta (EU-023) on **May 24th-29th**. Main activity will be during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest, hopefully as **9H6WPX**. QSL via LoTW. [TNX YT7AW]

-[425DXN # 1671 May 13, 2023] (0519-0602)

A7, QATAR. Anton, RN1B is QRV as **A71/RN1B** and is here **for several weeks**. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via [RW3RN](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0609)

C6, BAHAMAS. Sergei, KN4NTX is QRV as **C6AWA** from Bimini, (NA-048), **until May 28th**. Activity is on the HF bands using CW. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL direct to [KN4NTX](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

DL, GERMANY. DARC Team SES will operate special event callsign **DB23SOWG** on **June 1st-25th**. The suffix stands for Special Olympics World Games, the world's largest sporting event for athletes with intellectual disabilities whose 16th edition will be held in Berlin (June 17-25). QSL via the bureau, or direct to [DL2VFR](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0623)

DL, GERMANY. Jacek, SP5APW will be active as **DL/SP5APW** from Usedom Island (EU-129) from **May 29th to June 1st**. He plans to be QRV on 6 meters only, from WWL JO73cu. QSL via [SP5APW](#), and possibly [ClubLog's OQRS](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0602)

DXCC TOP TWENTY. Here are the top 20 entities on ClubLog's "DXCC Most Wanted" list as of May 26, 2023:

1. P5	DPRK (North Korea)	11. FT5/X	Kerguelen Island
2. 3Y/B	Bouvet Island	12. YVØ	Aves Island
3. FT5/W	Crozet Island	13. VKØM	Macquarie Island
4. BS7H	Scarborough Reef	14. ZS8	Prince Edward & Marion Islands
5. CEØX	San Felix Islands	15. KH4	Midway Island
6. BV9P	Pratas Island	16. PYØS	Saint Peter And Paul Rocks
7. KH7K	Kure Island	17. PYØT	Trindade & Martim Vaz Islands
8. KH3	Johnston Island	18. KP5	Desecheo Island
9. 3Y/P	Peter 1 Island	19. VP8S	South Sandwich Islands
10. FT/G	Glorioso Island	20. KH5	Palmyra & Jarvis Islands

For the complete list, see <https://clublog.org/mostwanted.php>

-[KØCF May 26, 2023] (0526-0609)

EK, ARMENIA. Abie, AB1F is QRV as **EK/AB1F** from Stepanavan, Lori Marz. Activity is on 20, 15, and 10 meters, and possibly on 80 and 40 meters using SSB. QSL via LoTW.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 19 May 11, 2023] (0512-0602)

F, FRANCE. For the 71st year the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe (F6KFI) will operate a special event station for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Look for **TM24H** on **May 28th - June 11th**, with activity on various bands and modes. QSL via [ClubLog's OQRS](#), or via [F6KFI](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0616)

F, FRANCE. Members of the Association des Radioamateurs Vauclusiens (F5KPO) will operate a series of eight special callsigns (**TM23ØVA, TM23ØUC, TM23ØLU, TM23ØSE** and **TM84VA, TM84UC, TM84LU, TM84SE**) on **June 2nd-25th** for the 230th anniversary of the creation of the French Department of Vaucluse. QSL via eQSL. A number of certificates will be available, see <https://www.grz.com/db/TM230VA> for information.

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0623)

F, FRANCE. Special callsign **TM61TC** will be activated on **May 31st - June 7th** celebrating Claude Chappe's invention of the optical telegraph, the first practical telecommunications system of the industrial age. QSL via the bureau. [TNX F8REF]

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0609)

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Didier, F6BCW is QRV as **FO/F6BCW** from Huahine Island, IOTA OC-067, **until October 25th**. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via [ClubLog's OQRS](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0623)

GJ, JERSEY. Special event station **GB3KCJ** will be QRV from **May 6th to June 2nd** for the coronation of King Charles III. QSL via bureau.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 18 May 4, 2023] (0505-0602)

GM, SCOTLAND. Col, MMØNDX and Jonathan, MMØOKG will be active as **MSØINT** from the Isle of Tiree (EU-008) on **May 26th-29th**. They will be QRV on 17-6m. QSL via LoTW. "There is a small chance they may try activate the neighboring Treshnish Islands (EU-108) for a few hours, but this will depend on weather, and will very much be a decision made on the day (possibly May 28th)". [TNX DX World]

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0526-0602)

GM, SCOTLAND. Dan, F5DBT plans to be active as **MM/F5DBT** from several islands off the west coast of Scotland from **May 28th to June 15th**. He will operate SSB, FT8 and FT4 on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to [F5DBT](#).

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0526-0616)

GM, SCOTLAND. Plans are for the expedition to the Isle of Rockall (EU-189) (<https://www.rockallexped.com/>) to set sail from Inverkip, Scotland on **May 26th**. The voyage will take about 36 hours, depending on weather conditions. The organizers aim to break the current world record for time spent on Rockall, and to raise funds for charity. Amateur radio wise, Nobby GØVJG and Emil DL8JJ will be active as **MMØUKI/p** from the island with two stations. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40-10 meters. "Please bear in mind that once at Rockall it will take many hours to get ready to come on air", Nobby says. QSL via [MØOXO's OQRS](#). Rockall has been activated only twice so far, by MSØIRC/p (2005) and MMØRAI/p (2011). Follow <https://www.facebook.com/groups/383962999684050> for updates, as well as Nobby on Twitter (@G0vjg).

-[425DXN # 1671 May 13, 2023] (0526-0609)

GM, SCOTLAND. Jack, MØPLX will be active as **MMØPLX/p** from Unst and other six islands in the Shetlands (EU-012) from **May 21st to June 2nd**. He will operate SSB on the HF bands, and will also pay attention to 6m. Updates will be posted to <https://www.facebook.com/MØPLX/>.

-[425DXN # 1671 May 13, 2023] (0519-0602)

HA, HUNGARY. Sanyi, HA7VK will be QRV as **HG23TISZA** as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (**May 27th-28th**). QSL via LoTW.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

I, ITALY. Lorenzo **IBØ/IZØBVU** and Dario **IBØ/IWØRLC** activate Ventotene Island (EU-045) from **May 25th to 28th** on 40, 20, 15, 10, and 6m (SSB, RTTY, FT8/4). QSL via [IZØBVU](#), LoTW.

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0602)

I, ITALY. Special callsign **II1ITR** (ops IK1RGK, IK1JJM, IK1XPE, IW1GJA, IW1GIO, IZ1SCF, IZ1ETD, I1TWL, IW1BRR, IW2NUY, and IU1FLZ) commemorates the crash of the Italia 95 years ago and the importance of amateur radio for the successful rescue mission. QRV from **May 25th until December 7th**. An award is also available (see [qrz.com](#)). QSL via [IZ1ETD](#).

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0616)

I, ITALY. As of May 18th, the list of special callsigns celebrating the centenary of the Italian Air Force **until June 20th** includes

IIØAAA	II2BGY	II4PNF	II9CMS
IIØAQN	II2BRS	II5GRO	II9CTF
IIØBPL	II2GHD	II5MSC	II9CVT
IIØCMP	II2MIL	II5PIO	II9PAB
IIØFRO	II2VGT	II5PIS	II9SIG
IIØGUI	II2VNG	II5PON	II9TMM
IIØLAT	II3AFT	II6PES	IO3CVM
IIØMVV	II3AVI	II7BPM	IO5LUT
IIØOVF	II3BLN	II7BRI	IO7BPM
IIØPDM	II3CDF	II7GDC	IO9MAR
IIØPEG	II3GOR	II7LEG	IYØTC
IIØRMC	II3IST	II8RCL	IY1TO
II1ALB	II3PDV	II8REG	II1CAM
II3PRL	II8SSC	II1CME	II3VEL
II8VVL			

The activity is organized by the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) in collaboration with the Air Force General Staff; each callsign represents a place that had or still has significant importance in the ITAAF history. A certificate will be available; see <https://www.ari.it/images/stories/diplomi/centenarioam23.pdf> for information.

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0519-0616)

JA, JAPAN. Ichy, JH7IPR will be active from Ishigaki Island and Iriomote Island (both count for IOTA group AS-024) on **May 24th-28th**. He will be signing **JH7IPR/6** (CW, RTTY, SSB, AM) and JH7IPR/p (FT4, FT8 and other digital modes). QSL via [ClubLog's](#) [OQRS](#) and LoTW.

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0519-0602)

JA, JAPAN. Take, JI3DST will be active from Shodo Island (AS-200) from **May 23rd to July 5th**. He will operate SSB and CW as **JJ5RBH** (including participation in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest) **JJ3DST/5**, **JS6RRR/5** and **JR8YLY/5**, as well as **JJ3DST/p**, **JS6RRR/p** and **JR8YLY/p** on FT8. He will pay special attention to 6m. The QSOs will be made available for ClubLog and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website.

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0519-0623)

JT, MONGOLIA. Dima, RA9USU will be QRV as **JT5DX** in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (**May 27th-28th**). QSL direct.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

JW, SVALBARD. Rafal, SQ9CNN is QRV as **JW/SQ9CNN** from Spitsbergen Island, (EU-026), **until May 29th**. He will be active as JW5E on either 20 or 15 meters during the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL to [SQ9CNN](#) and JW5E via [OH6VDA](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

KH6, HAWAII. A group of operators will be QRV as **NH6T** during the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (**May 27th-28th**). QSL via operators' instructions.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Oliver, W6NV and Lloyd, KH6LC plan to be QRV as **KH8W** as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (**May 27th-28th**). After the contest, they may be active as home calls/KH8. QSL via [W6NV](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Manuel, **WP4TZ** will be active from Vieques Island (NA-249) on **May 23rd-30th**. He will be QRV on 40-6 meters from parks, summits, and beaches for the POTA, SOTA and BOTA programs. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. Updates will be posted to <https://twitter.com/elradiohead>.

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0519-0602)

OE, AUSTRIA. RW3AH, ON5UR, ON6AJ and ON8AZ will be active as **4U100QO** from the Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A) on **May 18th-20th**. They will operate SSB, CW, FT8 and FT4 via the QO-100 satellite. QSL via [UA3DX](#), direct or bureau.

-[425DXN # 1671 May 13, 2023] (0512-0602)

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC. The private company Radiojournal began regular radio broadcasts in Czechoslovakia on May 18, 1923. **OL100RADIO**, **OL100RJ**, **OL23RADIO** and **OL23RJ** are the special callsigns for the Czech Radio Club to mark "100 years of broadcasting in OK-land". Look for activity on all bands and modes from **May 18th to June 18th**. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com under any of the special callsigns for information.

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0519-0616)

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD will be QRV as **P40W** from **May 23rd to 30th**. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide WPX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via [N2MM](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0609)

PA, NETHERLANDS. Ben, DO1BEN has been on Texel Island (EU-038) since May 22nd and will remain there **until June 2nd**. He is QRV as **PD/DO1BEN** on 40, 20 and 10 meters SSB, with some FT8/FT4 "if propagation is low". QSL via [DO1BEN](#) (bureau preferred).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0602)

PA, NETHERLANDS. Special event call signs **PA100K**, **PA100M**, and **PA100PCG** are QRV **until June 30th** to commemorate the two-way telegraph service that started up from Radio Malabar (Indonesia) to Radio Kootwijk. More information can be found on <https://radioclublimgburg.nl/mk/index.html>. QSL via bureau.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 18 May 4, 2023] (0505-0609)

PJ2, CURACAO. Jim, [WI9WI](#) and Annette, [KA9DOC](#) are QRV as **PJ2/home calls** **until May 29th**. Activity is on the HF bands, and possibly 6 meters, using CW and RTTY. Look for Jim to be QRV as **PJ2T** as a Single Op/All Band entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL direct to home calls, and PJ2T direct to [W3HNK](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

SM, SWEDEN. Ric, [DL2VFR](#) and Fred, [DL4BBH](#) will be active as either **SM6/DL2VFR** or **SD7V/6** (if his license is renewed) and **SM6/DL4BBH** from Orust Island (EU-043) on **May 31st - June 2nd**. They will operate CW and SSB. QSLs via home calls, LoTW, and [ClubLog's OQRS](#). [TNX DL2VFR]

-[425DXN # 1672 May 20, 2023] (0526-0602)

SP, POLAND. Jacek, SP5APW will be active as **SP5APW/1** from Wolin Island (EU-132) on **June 1st-6th**. He plans to be QRV on 6 meters only, from WWL JO73gx. QSL via

[SP5APW](#), and possibly [ClubLog's OQRS](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0609)

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI. Look for **T31TT** from **June 1st to 12th** with one rig for CW, one for SSB, and seven for FT8.

-[DXNL # 2354 May 17, 2023] (0526-0616)

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI. Team **T31TT** arrived in Apia, Samoa at 1800 UTC on May 25th. After a 2-day stop, the "Sheer Delight" will set sail for Kanton, Central Kiribati. Look for E51DOM/mm on 14183 kHz SSB and 14002 kHz CW during the voyage. Plans are for T31TT to be QRV for 12-14 days with one CW, one SSB and seven FT8 stations. Their band plan can be found on <https://www.qrz.com/db/T31TT>. QSL via [ClubLog's OQRS](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0616)

TF, ICELAND. Chris, DL1MGB is QRV as **TF/DL1MGB** until **May 29th**. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters and includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL to [DL1MGB](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA. Commemorating the role that radio (and radio amateurs) had in rescuing the survivors of the airship "Italia" disaster, special call signs **RT95NS**, **RT95MS** and **RT95KG** (QSLs via [RN3RQ](#)) will be active from **May 25th to July 12th**. The suffixes memorialize Nikolai Schmidt, the radio amateur who first picked up the SOS on June 3, 1928, and his close friend Mikhail Smirnov, as well as Aleksandr Kozhevnikov and Vladislav Grzhibovsky, radio amateurs and radiomen on board two of the ships that participated in the search and rescue operations. Also active will be **R1LK** (QSL via [RV1AQ](#)), the onboard amateur radio station of the "Krasin", the icebreaker (now a museum ship in Saint Petersburg) that reached the castaways on July 12, 1928. A couple of certificates will be available on <https://hamlog.online/> for contacts made with these stations and **II1ITR**.

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0630)

V2, ANTIGUA & BARBUDA. [K4UEE](#), [K5PI](#), [W5MJ](#), and [W5SJ](#) operate as **V26RC**, **V26GB**, **V26MJ**, and **V26BP** respectively from **May 23rd to 29th**. QRV during the WPX contest as **V26MJ**. QSL via home calls.

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0602)

V4, SAINT KITTS & NEVIS. John, W5JON is QRV as **V47JA** from St. Kitts, (NA-104), until **June 7th**. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using SSB and FT8. QSL direct to [W5JON](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0609)

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Bob, N7XR is QRV as **V7/N7XR** from Kwajalein, IOTA OC-028, and is here until the end of June. Activity is in his spare time on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0623)

VE, CANADA. Canada is an independent country, but the British monarch remains the nation's head of state. Celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III, Canadian radio amateurs are permitted to replace their normal prefix from **May 5th to July 2nd**: **VA** stations can use **CJ**, **VE** stations can use **CK**, **VO** stations can use **CY**, and **VY** stations can use **CZ**.

-[425DXN # 1669 April 29, 2023] (0505-0602)

VP2E, ANGUILLA. Rich, KE1B (**VP2EAQ**) and Anna, W6NN (**VP2EAR**) will be active again from Anguilla (NA-022) from **May 25th to June 1st**. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40-10 meters. Expect VP2EAQ to participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest.

QSLs via LoTW, [ClubLog's OQRS](#), eQSL, or via [KE1B](#).

-[425DXN # 1671 May 13, 2023] (0519-0602)

VP2M, MONTSEERRAT. Following the contest weekend at V26MJ on Antigua & Barbuda, **VP2MUE** (K4UEE), **VP2MKP** (K5PI), **VP2MMJ** (W5MJ), and **VP2MSJ** (W5SJ) will be active from Montserrat on **May 29th-31st**.

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0602)

VP2M, MONTSEERRAT. George, K2DM is QRV as **VP2MDM** until **May 29th**. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using SSB and FT8. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL via LoTW.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS. John, K4BAI, will be active from **May 23rd to 30th** as **VP5/K4BAI** and as **VP5M** during the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL for VP5/K4BAI via [K4BAI](#); VP5M via [K4QPL](#).

-[DXNL # 2355 May 24, 2023] (0526-0602)

VP9, BERMUDA. Darrell, AB2E will be QRV as **AB2E/VP9** from **May 24th to 29th**.

Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, with a focus on 30, 17, and 12 meters, using CW, SSB, and FT8. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide WPX CW contest as a Low Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0609)

XW, LAOS. "I will return again to live in Luang Prabang from about the end of May 2023", Simon, **XWØLP** (HSØZIB) says. "I'm just sorting out a suitable house to rent with a garden for my HF antennas. I hope to be operational soon on 160, 40, 20, 15, 12 and 10 meters (80, 30 and 6m are now not authorized for use in Laos)". QSL via [EA5GL](#).

-[425DXN # 1673 May 27, 2023] (0526-0616)

XZ, MYANMAR. Akio, JE2QIZ is QRV as **XZ2B** from Yangon until the end of September.

Activity is on 15, 12, 10, and 6 meters using CW. QSL via [JE3SIF](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0623)

Z3, NORTH MACEDONIA. Henning, OZ2I is QRV as **Z38EE** from Tetovo until **May 30th**.

Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being active in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL to [OZ2I](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

Z6, KOSOVO. Rene, DL2JRM is QRV as Z68XX from Gjilan until **May 29th**. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide WPX CW contest (May 27th-28th). QSL to [DL2JRM](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 21 May 25, 2023] (0526-0602)

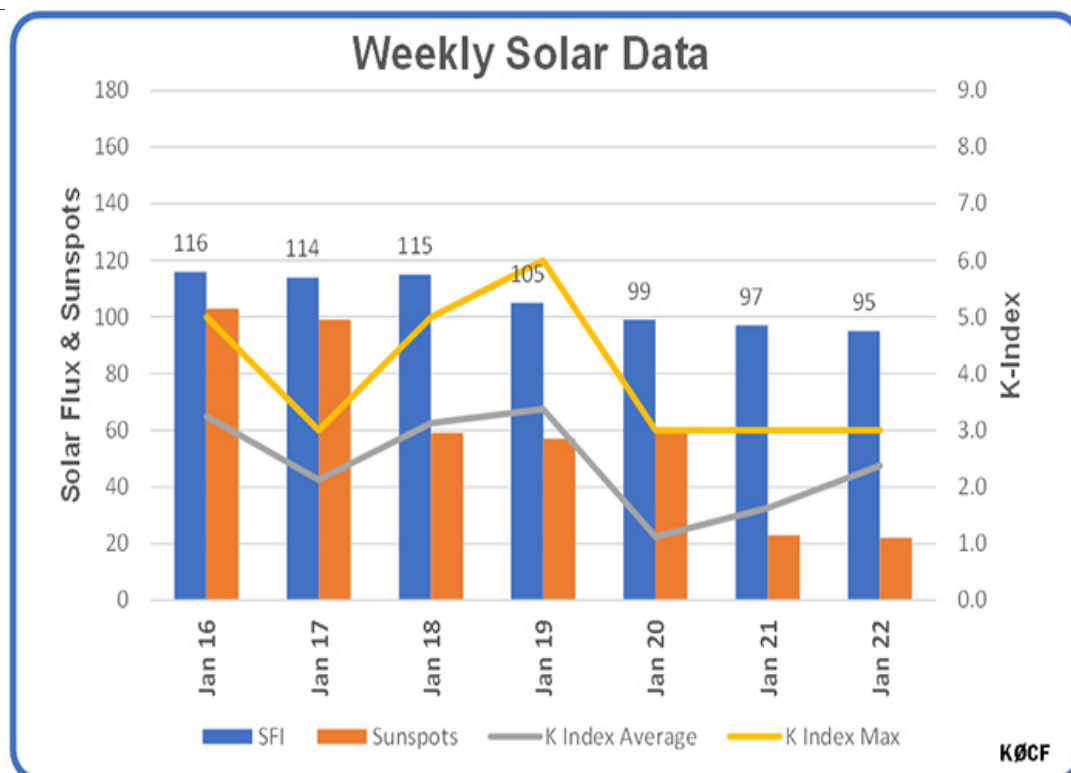
Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Diya, YI1DZ is QRV as **Z81D** from Juba. Activity is in his spare time on 40 to 6 meters, and possibly 80 and 60 meters, using SSB and FT8. QSL via [OM3JW](#).

-[ARRL DX Bulletin # 20 May 18, 2023] (0519-0609)

ZB, GIBRALTAR. Special event station **ZQ2HRH** is QRV until **May 31st** to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III. QSL via operators' instructions.

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Propagation



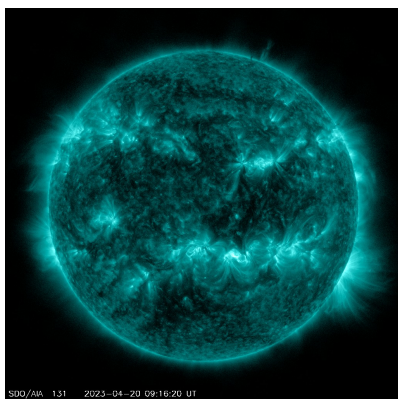
The Weekly Solar Data chart plots Solar Flux Index (SFI), Sunspot number and Planetary K-Index for the past 8 days. With 8 Planetary K-index readings each day, only the minimum, average and maximum K-index values are plotted. **Note:** You may click [here](#) or on the chart above to see the same data for the past month.

The propagation data in this bulletin has been collected by KØCF from the following sources:

- Solar Flux predictions and Planetary K-index from NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center;
- Daily Solar Flux from Space Weather Canada;
- Sunspot numbers from WDC-SILSO, Royal Observatory of Belgium, Brussels.

The propagation graphs above are the creations of KØCF and are unique in space weather reporting.

NASA's current view of the Sun at a wave-length of 131 Angstroms. This wavelength shows incredible solar detail.



Click [here](#) or on the image to view as a full screen 48-hour video loop. It is fascinating!

Propagation Summary (As of 8:55 AM May 26, 2023)

Solar flux readings were a bit higher this week compared to the previous week, with a weekly high of 170 on May 20th, and a low of 151 on May 18th. The average sunspot count was also up this week, peaking at 148 on May 25th following the weekly low of 113 on May 18th. Geomagnetic conditions were generally more active this week. The Kp index hit a weekly high of 6.0 on May 21st with 4 days above 4.3, after beginning the week at only 0.8.

Solar flare activity has remained high this week, with several days producing multiple M-class flares, including eight (!) on May 20th.

From the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center, here are the probabilities of major solar flares for the next 3 days:

Date	M-Flares	X-Flares
June 1, 2023	40%	10%
June 2, 2023	40%	10%
June 3, 2023	40%	10%

(Updated 11:45 PM May 31, 2023)

Looking ahead, here is the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center forecast of 10.7 cm radio flux for the next 12 days:

Date	Flux
May 26, 2023	155
May 27, 2023	160
May 28, 2023	160
May 29, 2023	160

Date	Flux
May 30, 2023	155
May 31, 2023	155
Jun 1, 2023	150
Jun 2, 2023	155

Date	Flux
Jun 3, 2023	155
Jun 4, 2023	155
Jun 5, 2023	160
Jun 6, 2023	165

Solar Flares This Week (As of 11:43 PM May 31, 2023)

Date	UTC	Mag.
May 31, 2023	2252	M 4.2
May 31, 2023	1226	M 1.0
May 31, 2023	0438	M 1.3
May 30, 2023	1338	M 1.5
May 30, 2023	1022	M 1.3
May 30, 2023	0810	M 1.2
May 28, 2023	1036	M 1.0
May 26, 2023	2103	M 1.3
May 25, 2023	1446	M 1.1
May 24, 2023	1726	M 1.9
May 24, 2023	0958	M 1.0
May 23, 2023	1212	M 3.0
May 22, 2023	1337	M 1.9
May 21, 2023	1601	M 2.6
May 21, 2023	0224	M 1.4

Highs for Cycle 25

Solar Flux: 234 on January 15, 2023.

Sunspots: 209 on February 11, 2023.

Favorite Propagation web sites

Excellent Maximum Usable Frequency map: <https://prop.kc2g.com/>

<https://www.spaceweather.com/>
<https://www.solarham.net/>
<https://dx.qsl.net/propagation/>

Selected Upcoming Contests

Contest	Start		End		Web Site
CQ WW WPX Contest, CW	May 27	0000Z	May 28	2400Z	Rules
Kentucky QSO Party	Jun 3	1300Z	Jun 4	0100Z	Rules
ARRL Inter. Digital Contest	Jun 3	1800Z	Jun 4	2400Z	Rules
ARRL June VHF Contest	Jun 10	1800Z	Jun 12	0300Z	Rules
All Asian DX Contest, CW	Jun 17	0000Z	Jun 18	2400Z	Rules
Stew Perry Topband Challenge	Jun 17	1500Z	Jun 18	1500Z	Rules
West Virginia QSO Party	Jun 17	1600Z	Jun 18	0400Z	Rules
ARRL Kids Day	Jun 17	1800Z	Jun 17	2359Z	Rules
His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB	Jun 24	1200Z	Jun 25	1200Z	Rules
ARRL Field Day	Jun 24	1800Z	Jun 25	2100Z	Rules
RAC Canada Day Contest	Jul 1	0000Z	Jul 1	2359Z	Rules
IARU HF World Championship	Jul 8	1200Z	Jul 9	1200Z	Rules
CQ Worldwide VHF Contest	Jul 15	1800Z	Jul 16	2100Z	Rules
North American QSO Party, RTTY	Jul 15	1800Z	Jul 16	0600Z	Rules
RSGB IOTA Contest	Jul 29	1200Z	Jul 30	1200Z	Rules

-[Contest data courtesy of the [WA7BNM Contest Calendar](#)]

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